

## Plywood Conclave, Yamuna Nagar

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### Talking Points: Ram Niwas Garg, Vyapar Kalyan Board

1. Good afternoon to
  - a. Hon'ble Minister of Forests, Education, Tourism, Parliamentary Affairs, Art & Cultural Affairs and Hospitality Dept., Haryana, Sh. Kanwar Pal ji
  - b. Principal Secretary, Foreign Cooperation Department, Sh. Yogendra Choudhary ji;
  - c. Director General and Secretary, Foreign Cooperation Department Sh. Anant Prakash Pandey ji;
  - d. Advisor, Foreign Cooperation Department, Sh. Pawan Choudhary Ji;
  - e. officials from Government of India and Government of Haryana, Esteemed Guest, Dignitaries from Plywood Sector, ladies, and gentlemen.
2. It gives me immense pleasure to welcome you all to the Haryana Plywood Conclave.
3. Plywood sector is one of the important sectors of Haryana, as it contributes more than 50% of India's Plywood production. The city where we are sitting today, "Yamunanagar" is also referred as the plywood capital of India due to the hub of wood-based industries present here.
4. There are as many as 600+ MSME are involved in the manufacturing of products of wood & allied products. There is a significant scope for investment in supply chain services for these units such as transportation & warehousing, product diversification, & downstream marketing services such as retailers/ distributors who source their products from Yamunanagar.

5. Given the high number of units, there is opportunity for further boost the export in the Plywood sector, which is currently less than 2% of the total plywood production in the cluster.
6. The Focus of this conclave is to empower the plywood industrialist, offsetting the challenges faced by them, addressing their queries, capacity building, spreading awareness about new markets, new technology, product trends, etc.
7. Today we will be discussing on various parameters that our friends from plywood industry can undertake to further expand their capabilities and enable them to complete globally.
8. I thank to foreign cooperation department for organizing such first of kind of workshop for Plywood sector.
9. I am confident of such initiatives by govt. of Haryana shall take the growth trajectory of the state further on new heights.
10. I once again express my heartfelt gratitude to all the esteemed guests, experts from different parts of India present here today, and all other dignitaries present for joining us today on this beautiful day to further boost the export from Haryana.
11. Thank You!